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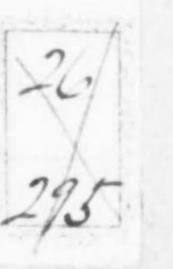
THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

OF THE

IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPHS

JAPAN,

FOR



THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th,
ELEVENTH YEAR OF MEIJI

(1878)



IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPHS.

Fourth Report of the Director General, being for the year ending on the thirtieth day of the sixth month of the eleventh year of Meiji (30th June 1878).

In July 1877 the Satsuma rebels still held the road between Hiuga and Osumi, but were demoralized, and not long after the struggle was terminated in favour of the Imperial troops, the leaders of the insurrection being killed and their bands dispersed — the Army telegraphs continued to Army telegraphs continued to = render good service in the field 及 render good service in the field
—and the lines to Kagoshima
and Oita were being expedited
as far as possible.

It being probable that his
Majesty the Emperor would
visit the North-Western Provinces every exertion was made

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to complete the lines of tele- | 7 graph in that direction, and > 至 though not actually finished at F the date of this report every 信 thing was in so forward a condition that a few days only would suffice to open up communication.

Since my last report there 取 域 have been many extensions of ラニ中 our system to places not pre-シ進途 viously served, and a large proportion of the lines included in the entire scheme of national モルテ ly erected and brought into 其 兆 朝 其 7 常 朔 actual operation—the remainder 此 ス 會 テノト 北 is gradually being proceeded 時 ニト 塲 直 勉 近 陸 with—and the benefit to the ニ 顯 雖 ニ ニ カ ギ 東 with—and the benefit to the = 題 雖 public, foreign and native, of ア ハ モ 臨 possessing means of rapid com- ルル 我 マ 外 以 munication has been thoroughly | カ 、 國 exemplified.

The Telegraphic Congress in 此ノ信ル London being fixed in June 時 1 1878 I was ordered to proceed = 云事 メ thither as the delegate from y Japan, and I had set out on ルサ隆 the journey accordingly, when カル 昌 the news was received of a postponement until 1879 having been decided upon. Although therefore the Conference has not yet taken place, the fact of our Governmet having decided to send a representative is illustrative of the sure and rapid growth of Western Civilization in this Country.

As mentioned in my previous | 12 Report, the extension of the ス 報 permanent line from Kumamoto southwards to Kagoshima was 1 7

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urged onward as fast as cir- - A cumstances would permit, keep- 日月 ing in the wake of the army, 12+ and communication was opened up with Yatsushiro in Higo and thence with Sashiki (3rd July) Kajiki (8th August) and Kagoshima (10th August) for Government messages only. In the same way the tem-

porary field telegraphs were carried forward with the Army, HI and offices were established for brief periods as under :-

Yokogawa, opened 5th July and closed 11th August.

Eano, opened 18th July and closed 21st.

Kobayashi, opened 22nd July and closed 28th.

Nojiri, opened 28th July and closed 11th August.

Kamiya, opened 1st August and closed 3rd.

Kajiki, opened 13th July. closed 20th August, reopened 7th September and 月月 同 closed 2nd October.

Tano-ura, opened 5th September and closed 16th October. HH Kokubu, opened 19th July NEW and closed 4th August.

Fukuyama, opened 27th July, closed 30th August, reopened 6th September and closed 15th.

Miyakonojo, opened 1st August and closed 6th October. =-Miyazaki opened 15th Au- HH JII gust, closed 28th, reopened 照開 H七 国 5th Septemberand closed 6th October.

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Taka-oka, opened 3rd August and closed 4th October.

Honsho, opened 4th August and closed 7th.

Sadohara, opened 7th August and closed 10th.

Takanabé, opened 10th August, closed 17th, reopened 31st and closed 5th October. Tsuno, opened 14th August, closed 17th, reopened 29th and closed 1st September.

Mimitsu, opened 17th August, closed 19th, reopened 28th and closed 29th.

Tomidaka-Shinmachi, opened 19th August and closed 29th.

Hosojima, opened 21st August and closed 15th October.

Mitayi, opened 6th July, closed 19th, reopened 30th August, closed 4th September, again opened 18th and closed 2nd October.

Miyamizu, opened 19th July, closed 12th August, reopened 24th and closed

Funao, opened 12th August and closed 23rd.

Takachibo-Shinmachi, opened 30th August and closed 18th September.

Yagai, opened 26th August and closed 30th.

Nobe-oka, opened 23rd August and closed 6th October.

These are in addition to those shown in my report for the previous year; and the following offices were closed on the dates given.

Kumamoto, 2nd October.

延 八再 島 九再 本 日三 治 岡 月八 月八 庄 開十 木 十八七十月月日廿八八月間再七 月月 日四 十二 四九 月月 十再 九月 六廿 隱日五十 日七四 五九 月十 別 日日 日月 七三 田三 間 日一 新 間日 美 間間 間六 日日 都開開 等 八八 月月 田 八八 原 十八二廿 廿十 井 月月 八八 月月 日日 二三二九七二十月月六一間間 信日日月月十七十七日日田 局間開四六八日日日間開 高問期間不高高浦 干 双七八月 鍋 穂 九月月十再八 月十 二九 八月 十八 十五 新十九十日月十月月六日 謀町八日九陸三日四三日開 攻九八日陪日再十開日日間 戰 月月 開再 图 日八 於開 國 守十三十八富開月宮府 月日二三 高 月七 崎 八七 門別 日十 新 五日 再八 月月 協用 月月 八七 十九 八八 十八 山 往三二月月九日月月月日山 十十十十日間十十六廿日七 復日六二九四日八開月 廿八 日訊 日日 スト日日日 開 開開 細 陰開 間 月七

Hiaku-kan-ishi, 20th July. Kumanosho, 8th July. Yatsushiro, 3rd July. Sashiki, 14th July. Hitoyoshi, 29th September. Minamata, 21st July. Ohguchi, 4th July (reopened 6th and closed 21st):

Hamamachi, 2nd October.

Mamihara, 20th August (reopened 4th September and closed 15th).

On the 1st September the 4 月 信

rebels attacked the town of Kagoshima so suddenly that our メキ 行 = 景 staff at the office there had not 日 鹿 ヒ 城 磐 time to retreat, and clerk Fujino 向 兒 二應 山 終 九 四七 ラ was killed at his post. The 國 島 及兒 丁 月 明 相 others fortunately made good 都 線 文島 攻 其 日 精 their escape, and subsequently 城 ラ 分 撃 難 reunited at the Kajiki office a 八磨 延 ララ シ 三 few miles off, where they re- 後島 ~ 閉閉 sumed their duties during the 此 ラ ラグ final struggle which took place 局外大 專 at Kagoshima and terminated 間次分 ラ in the complete rout of the re- 2里線 els at "Shiroyama" on the 给 月 滅 4th September.

The temporary station for 婚 日 西 bels at "Shiroyama" on the 24th September.

field telegraphs at Tanoura was transferred to this Department on the 16th October and opened 假環八 for public fraffic, but was closed 局通代全国 since on 15th December when 月信佐少公 the new Kagoshima office was 置少城平二 opened. Offices for public traffic | 中路 were also opened at Yatsushiro, 共 ラ 治 Sashiki and Kajiki (Oct: 20th). | = 開 木

The chain of communication | + # 2 around Kiushiu was mean while 月ッ分六員テ gradually advancing, and to 六月日加局 expedite matters double squads 日為二田治員 of men under native Engineers 日 メ 流 were set to work from 1 り技ラ

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Kagoshima and Oita, north and 技 五献 以以 開 south. Offices were opened 手局拾後前 for Government messages at 五 百八 for Government messages at Miyakonojo and Miyazaki (6th October)-respectively 41 and 75 miles north of Kagoshimaand a junction between the two lines was finally effected and the work completed on the 20th October.

The office at Sashiki was closed on the 10th November that at Kajiki on the 31st January 1878, and that at Miyakonojo on the 12th of the same month.

Altogether the length of line provided for Military telegraphs, counting from the outbreak of the Satsuma rebellion, amounted to 511 English miles | mil (206 last year, and 305 in this 拾拾 吏 year) 53 offices were established 四张 (28 last year and 25 in this 省名 year), and 156 officers (112 last year, and 44 in 1877-78) of all ranks, Engineers, Operators &c.; formed the staff.

The line between Kokura and | 設 Oita, in Bungo, passing through ケ 廿 Nakatsu in Buzen (vide last) 1 report) was rapidly extended 含 日 southward with temporary sta- | tions at the latter places merely | for Government purposes—the work was completed to Nakatsu | 分 on the 5th July, and as far as Oita on the 28th. The same 三 staff was then directed (18th 局 August) to carry on the work | 連 in the direction of Kagoshima, 線 (as referred to in a previous 直 paragraph), and accordingly did | in

國及九 州 三町 月月 事 \mathcal{I}_{L} 局月 十閉 七以 後拾 月六 抑 木 大

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usual difficulties in the shape of rocky ground in which holedigging became all but impossible.

The offices were opened for public traffic as under :-

Nakatsu Oita Nobeoka Miyazaki Kagoshima

The erection of lines in the island of Shikoku was completed as far as Marugame and
局豫
Takamatsu in Sanuki during
the last fiscal year, with tem器一松 porary stations at those places | > for the transmission of Government messages only. As it | 欲 became very desirable to ex-shima insurrection, the survey | 7 and construction of the line | 分高 from Takamatsu to Tokushima | 派 in Awa (about 43 miles from | = = Takamatsu), and from Marugame to Kochi in Tosa via 11 1 Matsuyama in Iyo, was prosecuted with great rapidity. 業 テ 線 officers of the Engineering staff | = 亦 being despatched to each of 擔 二 those sections. The Tokushima 任 線 portion having been commenced > 7 九 on the 3rd July and completed | 測 架 on the 5th December last, the] 量

so as far as Takanabe, about 84 三私成 数 續 ナ間パッ大 鹿シ miles, taking in Nobeoka on the way. This work was finished on the 13th November, the route between Nobeoka and Takanabe having presented unng presented un-es in the shape d in which hole-e all but impos-e all but impos-e all but impos-were opened for s under:— 20th October. 15th December. ク島リル路ラ亦ル岡八經 ノ官速ヲ接尠此分大日テ

office thereat was opened on the 15th of the latter month; and as the rebellion had meanwhile been entirely suppressed, the stations at Takamatsu and Marmoruma were around for the latter month; and as the rebellion had meanwhile been entirely suppressed, the stations at Takamatsu and late and late are lateral was opened on lateral Marugame were opened for the public service from the 5th October. The section between Marugame and Matsuyama was commenced on the 6th March, i and another section between Matsuyama and Kochi on the 25th February of this year. The road to Kochi passing 力迄子 J 石 月 灵 賊 月 through a very mountainous 今二 升 此 地 廿 更 亂 三 region, the work was rendered 治 線 七 線 硌 日 三 平 日 difficult of execution, and the ハラテ路々起官定 line in this direction was not 九架其 7 柱 工私 二 工 quite finished, but so nearly 龜シ工設 3 各一歸十 that only a very small proper- 松十二 り樹 其 般 スニ tion remained to be built, at 山二着ルツ業ノル月 the date of this report.

ernment had decided to provide 二九高テ難スラテ落 offices at Imaharu in Iyo and Muya in Awa, and consequent- ly two wires were run up from 未手島國線ノル五ル an office opened on the 1st June. = 月寺阿功至間丸同 Imaharu had not been com- 至廿村波セルハ館月

In the previous year the line directed towards Niigata had been completed to a point beyond Urawa and Mayebashi. Takasaki was subsequently reached in the present year, and Uyeda in Shinano. The Government having however issued notice of His Majesty's 上 進 ッ 将 issued notice of His Majesty's | 上 進

一撫ョニ聖日養置十ノ ~ ノ月手ニルヲ通ヲ五 In the meantime the Gov- 問十岁方甚施信以日 pleted at the end of the fiscal ラニョ國スノ本節初十 year. ス日リ撫ト道年聖五

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contemplated progress through the North Western Provinces (as before alluded to) it became necessary to put forth special exertions to complete the chain of communications in that part of the Empire in good time. Various companies of Engineers and Workmen were therefore sent out, and the entire length split up into short sections proportionate to the strength of the staff and the time at disposal. Thus Uyeda having been reached on the 10th April, the portion beyond, to Nagano, was well advanced on the 30th June. Stations were opened from time to time as the works progressed, Urawa and Kumagai on the 1st October 1877, Takasaki and Mayebashi on the 15th October, Uyeda on the 1st May.

tion with His Majesty's visit, a line was undertaken between Otsu and Uwotsu, Etchiu, (215 miles) with stations at Tsuruga in Echizen, Fukui and Kana-Fukui and Kanazawa on the キ其シ金井事路 14th, and towards Uwotsu on ナ日遂澤間 ヲヲ

五谷七二八 月ハス至五ハマエ七種 日年架マサーハ ハハル中四田競ニニ

同皆トニ月崎高ハ番工

In the same way, in connec- | E 全七井賀シ因起澤ノ大 竣備日金間各テス及間津 功ナヲ澤ハ技急所魚ニ電 ノラ以間六手ニ以津一信 期シテハ月ヲ着ノノ線分立メ皆六三派手モ四ヲ局 zawa in Kaga—this was com- テン工月日遺ニノ處架ヨ menced on the 3rd June in | 俟ト業十敦シ決モニシリ the Otsu section, on the 11th ツ欲ヲ四賀テシ亦各越越 between Tsuruga and Fukui, ~ ス起日福工線タ分前中 the 27th. Work was rapidly リタニ魚ハ執畵北置賀津 the line would probably be com-pleted in two months. It was 無シ接六一大部ア此賀二 subsequently determined to 津トシ月日津トル工園至 connect Uwotsu with Imamachi | 3雖テ 廿福敦ナニ ヲ金ル

Wires used for electric bell communication were provided in the Exhibition grounds at Uyeno (14th-19th September) also a lightning rod on the roof of the Fine Arts Museum.

The line to Hagi in Nagato was executed, starting from Yamaguchi-about 20 miles-(14th August-20th December and an office was opened on the 1st January. The line is being carried on towards Hamada in Iwami and Matsuye in Idzumo -167 miles-at which places it is proposed to establish stations.

A fourth wire was provided throughout on the poles between Tokei and Nagasaki, having become necessary in consequence of increased traffic. The work was executed in the various districts as under :-

No. 1 district 23rd September -18th October.

1st July-14th January.

5th December -21st April.

1st October-25th March.

on the Niigata road, so as to スセラテ無テ接今線リ make the circuit of those pro-vinces completely. スセラテ無テ接今線リ トニ信以環シニノ網

ム九架建棟ノ設ニ因會ニ東ニ日線ツ上用備電リヲ於京 及ニニ九ニトシ線會開テ府 ン至着月避ナ以ヲ塲設內下 テテ手十雷ステ架巡セ國上之成シ四柱又非シ査ラ勘野

ニトヲ松~ヨ二置給血 建ス架江テリ月ス間町電 中月濱至見信日エニ信 ア日松七几濱開功年線局 リヨ江里六田クシナヲヨ リニ餘拾ヲ又本月架 着分ノ經此年六シ長 手局間テ線一日一門 ショニ出路月起局國 今置一雲ョー業ヲ萩 現ン線國延日十設里八

第同二各番リ未倉シ央ス東 三年十其ス陸タョ直局此京 區七三業ル線第リニョ線長 ハ月日ヲ所ニ四長神リハ崎 十一着執ノ止線崎戸起則ノ 年日手ラ各ムラニヲシチ間 十着十三區其沈至經 橫 第里三 二手月ノ守線架テテ濱四拾百 月本十第成ヲセ止赤及線町土 五年八一ノ架サム間大二餘七 日一日區主スル赤關 坂シニ 着月成ハ任ルニ間ニ高テー 手十第十者ヤ因關至 麗線線 本四二年ヲ曾テ海リ橋端ヲ 年日區九シテ姑峽又ニヲ増 四成ハ月テ區ラハ小達中架

No. 5 district 26th August-31st January.

the ordinary maintenance staff being engaged. The cable in connection with this wire required at Shimonoseki straits had not been laid and thus it remained terminated at the stations in either side.

In Osaka, a line temporarily provided between Koraibashi office and the branch War office in connection with the Satsuma troubles, was taken down in October, on the other hand, a wire was connected to the eastle instead - about 1 mile from Koraibashi office-(14th-22nd December) and fitted with the apparatus previously used at the War office.

At Kioto the temporary office which had existed at the Imperial Palace, (An-zai-sho) was abolished, upon the return of His Majesty to Tokei in July.

Shidzuoka new office was = pleted on the 14th December.

upon the existing Nagasaki trunk line.

見以復ヲ未シ日ル十二五十月 ルテ通以タ在ヲ所一十日月廿 へ電信テ傳來逐以日六成一一 キ信ノ遂送ノヒノ成日第日日 ナノ便ニノ三月モル着五着成 リ盛捷之用線ヲノ此手區手第 大ヲヲニノ累ハ線本ハ本四 ニナ架充三子通ヲ年十年區 趣スシクニテ信増一年三ハ ク亦テサテ増ノ加月八月十 ファ往ルハ殖数ス三月廿年

廿工然テ移テシノ十機ノ西 二十レ其ス用四高請年八大商 十信モク莫曾鎭廢平軍假 九ヲノハ爾テ豪シク事ニ 日質へ舊斯事營更ル粉架 起行僅植機 務中二二處設 業セ少ニー處ニ陸及ノセ 同スノ仍基ニ轉軍ン電シ 月此ミリヲ於架省テ信所

ノ車局所所西十 ス後駕ハノニ京年 之東七電置行二 ヲ還月信ク在月 局年成四 built upon the site of that burnt 因 焼 十 ル 日 十 分 年 in December 1876—it was com- テ 亡 二 是 = 二 局 九 menced in September and Com- ナセ月ハ至月ラ月 リシ舊九テ十 Okazaki, in Mikawa, was 建ラテ路ハ之十一三 opened for public traffic on the 15th November—intermediate ルーニル線 月月週間 15th November—intermediate ルーニル線 クー設 岡 ノ宇由ヲノ此五能崎

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In my third report reference was made to the projected reconstruction of the local lines in Tokei, for which a new route had been surveyed: the actual 阿蒙 八 building of this trunk line was commenced on the 24th October 1877 and was completed on the 22nd March of this year: Entirely new work was executed in connection therewith between the followings points:-

Kobikicho Central Office and Yayosumachi.

Yayosumachi and Nihonbashi and Kanda Fukudacho.

and Ogawamachi. and Urakasumigaseke.

Ogawamachi and Yorodzuyobashi.

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In all about 5 miles 5 fur- 得 longs. Having in view the substantial character of the work done, and the comparative freedom from risk of fire &c. which the new line possesses, it may safety be assumed that there will be a considerable saving in the cost of maintenance and repair, as compared with the route previously adopted.

The erection of a brick building in a convenient position in Kobiki-cho, to be used as a 技 Central Telegraph Station, was 建 commenced in April 1877 and 築 commenced in April 1877 and on the 5th December it was so far advanced that the internal fittings alone remained to be supplied, in order to render it | complete and ready for the conduct of the traffic which had so far been carried on in a somewhat confined and ill-situated Office in Tsukiji.

All preparations having been made, the transfer was easily effected on the morning of the 25th March, and at noon of Fr that day the Minister of Public Works officially opened the building, being accompanied in his visit by the vice Minister and various officials.

Although telegrams had actually been forwarded by the 3 Government lines for some years previously, this had been done 先 unofficially, and by the inter- 分 mediation of the Great Northen 局 Telegraph Company, for the 7 convenience of the public; in

間ニ至ル 法二於テ實ニ其宜ラ マテ増線ヲ架シ本 テ線路最モ整齊シ 一日落成建築顔ル

り裏霞ケ關 至テ成ル於 信 直二 新築ス此工十年四月十日着手十二月五日 装飾等既二 N ノ更築モ亦

the meantime, however, by far 大 the greater part of the lines originally planned having been erected and brought into working condition, and the constructor and operators having attained to a considerable degree of proficiency, it was determined that from the same date the Government should declare its adhesion to the terms of the St. Petersburg Telegraphic Convention, and its intention to accept messages from the publie, as far as International Telegrams are concerned, at any of its offices, for transmission in accordance with the regulations provisions and therein contained. This announcement was telegraphed, to the Great Northern Company's representatives in Shanghai, and to all the existing Stations in the Empire. The telegraphic arrangements of this Country were thus placed on a footing similar to those of other countries and Administrations, and in order to celebrate the occasion the Minister of Public Works invited the members of the Imperial family, the Ministers and Councillors of State, the Ministers and Secretaries representing the Treaty Powers, Officials ranking as appointed by the Sovereign, those of the Public Works Department appointed by the Council, the Governor of Tokei-fu &c. &c. to a Banquet at the Imperial College of Engineering on the evening of the same day. The

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bands of various corps, naval and military, performed selections of music, and the many types of telegraphic apparatus, Hughes, Grays, Breguets, Siemens Duplex &c. were exhibited to the guests in actual operation, a wire having been provided specially for the occasion connecting the College with the new Central Telegraph office.

Kuwana station was established on the 1st April—intermediate on the already existing line joining Nagoya and Tsu.

An extra wire with morse apparatus was provided between the Central Office and Nihon-bashi branch—Tokei—(April 4th—8th).

In Osaka, a line of wires was provided, (by means of poles already existing or newly erected for the purpose), from the Central Police Station at Yedobori to eight branch offices in Nishinagabori, Nagabori-bashi, Sonezaki, Sugawara, Ohtedori, Koraibashi, Kiubojimachi, and Andojimuchi; Morse apparatus being employed. Electric bell communication was also provided between two of the offices, (Sonezaki and Sugawara) and the House of Correction, and between Ohtedori and the Prison. The Central station further connected with Kawaguchi Telegraph Office; the object;

話機等ヲ機能シメリテ衆強ノ 関観ニ供シ又陸海軍ノ樂隊 を変に、 を変に、

構修展、用いける比工本年五月十一日起業の一人が著二電線ヲ保設シ莫爾斯機ヲ装置シ曾根崎及管原ノニ分署ヨリ懲役場ニ大手通リ根崎及管原ノニ分署ヨリ懲役場ニ大手通リ根崎及管原ノニ分署ヨリ懲役場ニ大手通リオが大坂府江戸城警察本署ヨリ西長城長坂橋曾の大坂府江戸城警察本署ヨリ西長城長坂橋曾の大坂府江戸城警察本署ヨリ西長城長坂橋曾

being to facilitate the maintenance of the Police System in that city. (May 11th-June 13th, Distance about 9 miles).

In Tokei, the Home Department and the Central Police Station were joined by a wire on new poles, fitted with telephones. (May 16th-17thmile.)

Mitajiri, in Suwo province, was opened on the 15th June, an office having been creetd, and a wire provided on new foles for I miles and on exist. was opened on the 15th June, poles for 1 miles and on existing poles for 10 miles, connecting it with Yamaguchi. (24th April—5th June.)

On the 25th June Ishinomaki, in Rikuzen, was opened as a public message station. A 之 設 new line of poles and one wire connects this place with Sendai | 開 -33 miles distant. The construction occupied from the 25th April until the 11th June.

during April and May for a シテ本準積三至田形 one-wire new line between 今六年備雪處ルヲ電 each town; operations having 業 3 テ 雪 ヲ ヲ previously been retarded by 中 リ 實 融 以 置 線 酒 リ ceding on the date of this report.

リ之置線四十八十十八柱日六 ヲニ路間三増二新杯竣月施因ノ「架」三植ハ功十 セテ位皆里一或里二或其三

工本年五月十

日月年架山架ョ崎ヲ周ヨ五四スロシリ線設防 ヲ同日間九一宮一就線尻 開月着此線市線テ路ニ ク十手エヲヨヲ宮ハー 五六本增リ新市長局

六月十 五局 線ヲ架ス此工本 日落成 同 11 町陸

The country was surveyed 起 幸 テノ 地 其 = 秋 山 Yamagata and Sakata in Ugo, 現月四ヲ甚ニノ經信 via Yokote and Akita, about = 一月ナ深分間テ分 185 miles, with a station at 施 日 始 シ キ 局 二 同 局 deep snow. The actual con- = 建地ステカラ田羽 struction was begun on the ア築 ラル先ン架六几後 15th June, and was still pro- リノ油 ニットシエス國 工量及架不以除土橫 ソ線此テ里手 7 =1

In Tokei, the new building | 月 of the 1st division of police,
4th section, having been completed at Nakabashi, it was
connected by a new-pole line
with the Central Police Station.
The line to the office in Sakamotocho, (temporarily made use of after the destruction by fire of the original station in Irifunecho Tsukiji,) was abandoned. (May 20th-23rd).

The 5th division police, 5th section, having established a new station at Shitaya Kanasugimachi, it was connected with the main system in lieu of the office which had previously existed on the Senjiu-Yeki premises. (15th-22nd January).

forward by way of Hanakawado machi-distance 2 miles 830 yards.

The original office at Awomori, burnt in April 1877, was replaced by a new building on the proper site, - Completed 11th June 1878.

During the fical year now under review about 13671 miles of line, carrying in all 15333 miles of wire were new-

ニシ間六版スラ同 起徙所千町ル下工スノ住ヨニ谷、

In order to diminish the risk 月本 = 沿町ノシ直線漫 of damage by fire, the line 十年至上 3 患力線路草 of wires between Asakusa- 五四ラ花リア通ヲハ電 bashi and Asakusa Office was 日月シ川向リ衢以舊信 transferred to the Bakuro-cho, 竣十ム戶両故ノテト分 on the opposite river bank 功七十一町國 = 間局護局 (Muko-riyogoku) and carried ス日五里 ヲノ改時ニ草ニ 着問ニ經河テ々連橋至 手此テ邊馬火達ョル 六工局二喰災セリノ

局焼亡ニ因

十局十百長九里五ノ改架新此 ニョ七十ス間十百モ架シニー 處開町二レ之七四ノス及電周 戰ク三里ハヲ町十總ル増線年 ly constructed or rebuilt. 32 | 地三間三六延十四計所線 7間

Stations were opened. (exclu- ト町線總記ク架處設電ル為ニ sive of two on the battle-field, for Government messages only). In addition to these 511 miles of line and 53 offices were provided for the Army telegraphs.

The expeditions of 1875 and 1876 having proved unsuccessful in the attempted repairs of the defective Tsugaru Straits (Hekodate) cables, for want of proper appliances, it was resolved to make a final effort and the Great Northern Telegraph Company's repairing steamer "H.C. Orsted" was chartered for the work. On this occasion the operations were brought to a satisfactory termination, and the communication through both cables was restored on the 13th July 1877. A test of the insulation taken immediately after gave fair results.

In June the Shikoku cable was interrupted, but communication was restored on the 26th of that month—the damage had apparently been occasioned by a boat's anchor.

but, save in the few cases detailed hereafter, special mention is not necessary.

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A considerable amount of 概件數ヲ火トモ器各此 repair work was carried on ララー更災ナノ概區他 throughout the year on the 示摘項築ニル或物中長 trunk lines North and South - ス歳ア修曜モハ品拄崎 being necessitated by the decay ノシリ理リノ道ノ杆線 of timber, fire, storm, &c. = テ 今 ス シ 或 路 毀 ノ 及 以唯ルモハノ損腐青 テ其無た風障セ朽森 大數慮等水碍》及線

About 45 miles of the entire section lying between Toyohashi and Kobe were repaired, in continuation of the work commenced in 1875.

The renewal of the trunk line between Kobe and Shimonoseki, also commenced in 1875 was completed. Some important river crossings were executed in connection therewith-notably those of the Kawabe, Shojo, Yoshi, Teno and Une rivers.

Between Idzuchi-village and Koyetoi the main line was reconstructed by a new and better road.

The remaining portions of the Nagasaki and Kokura main | 竣 間 於 ク line, lying between Saga and Fukuoka, were repaired—thus completing the works on that locality.

Direct communication between Nagasaki Kumamoto and Kagoshima having been found to be desirable, it was effected by connecting two of the wires together at the Saga office.

In continuation of the works begun in 1876-77, a further 五 モ 髪 七 portion of about 62 miles was 出 ノ エ ン thoroughly repaired between Tokei and Sendai. ニ 竣 築

In the Sendai and Awomori 凡整換極凡改該凡ヲ於仙 district about 35 miles were 十理》物廿修區四加テ臺 completely repaired. about 70 四ス以品八ス中十つ假青 resurveyed, and about 100 miles 里ルラ等里ル線里ルニ森 temporarily restored pending the final renewal.

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TARIFFS.

The following Addenda to the published tariff of charges upon messages &c. were issued on the dates given :-

November 1877.

For Japanese messages between Okazaki and Nagoya or Toyohashi, 6 sen.

For European messages 25 sen.

For Japanese messages from any station North of Toyohashi to Okazaki 1 sen to be added to the Toyohashi rate, and from any station | 同 同 ~ South of Nagoya to Okazaki sen in addition to the Nagoya rate.

For European messages from any station North of Toyohashi to Okazaki the same rate as to Nagoya, and from any station South of Nagoya to Okazaki the same rate as to Toyohashi.

December 1877.

For Japanese messages from Hagi to Yamaguchi 7 sen. For European messages 25 sen.

For Japanese messages from any station North of Yamaguchi to Hagi the same rate as to Shimoneseki, and from any station South of Yamaguchi to Hagi the same rate as to Hiroshima.

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same rate as to Shimonoseki, and from any station South of Yamaguchi to Hagi the same rate as to Hiroshima.

March 1878.

For Japanese messages between Kuwana and Nagoya or Yokkaichi 6 sen, and for messages to Tsu 8 sen.

For European messages between Kuwana and Nagoya or Yokkaichi 25 sen, and for messages to Tsu 50 sen.

For Japanese messages from Tokei or any other station South and North of Kuwana 1 sen to be added to the Nagoya rate.

For European massages from any station North of Nagoya to Kuwana the same rate as to Gifu, and from any station South of Nagova the same rate as to Toyohashi.

It was notified that on and after the 15th April 1878 the addresses and signatures of Japanese messages, which up to that date had been transmitted free, would thence forward be charged for at the same rate as the words forming the body of such telegrams.

On and After the 1st May 1878 the terminal charge for 局 International messages sent from or to any station in Japan

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合ヲ廢 從前 was fixed at 20 cents per word | 1--instead of the rates previously in operation.

In the month of June 1878 the Stations at Muya and Mitajiri having been opened, the charges for messages were fixed as follows :-

For Japanese messages between Muya and Takamatsu or Tokushima 7 sen. For European messages 25

For European messages 25 sen. 三 Hor Japanese and European messages from any station, 元 in the island of Shikelen in the island of Shikoku ~ III and at South or North of / 1 Okayama to Muya the Ш ~ same rates as to Tokushima respectively.

For Japanese messages be- 同 tween Mitajiri and Hiro-

For European messages 25

shima or Yamaguchi 6 sen.
or European messages 25 sen.
or Japanese messages from any station North of Hiroshima to Mitajiri 1 sen to For Japanese messages from shima to Mitajiri 1 sen to be added to the Hiroshima South of Yamaguchi to South Sen in addition to the Yamaguchi rate.

For European messages from | | | any station North of Hiroshima to Mitajiri the same rate as to Yamaguchi, and from any station South of Yamaguchi the same rate as to Hiroshima.

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OPERATORS.

Also in June.

For Japanese messages be-

tween Ishinomaki and

Sendai 7 sen and for mes-

sages from Tokei or any

other station to Ishino-

maki 2 sen in addition to

For European messages be-

tween Ishinomaki and

Sendai 25 sen and for

messages from Tokei or

any other Station South of

Sendai to Ishinomaki the

same rate as to Ishino-

In addition to the foregoing

various addenda to the tariffs

in respect of the Shikoku, Nii-

gata and Kagoshima lines were

published, and are included in

the Appendices A, B, C, and D.

the Sendai rate.

Fukushima.

At the commencement of the last fiscal year, 107 of the candidates were selected and entered upon a course of train-

布達三係ルニ 追加 maki, and from any station North of Sendai to Ishino- トハ信 maki the same rate as to 同一料

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EDUCATION OF NATIVE

March 1878—they were sent out from time to time to act as operators at Stations, or as "first class" students to gain practical experience. The total number receiving tuition at the date of this report was 149.

In my first report I referred to the fact of 114 operators having been engaged for a term of 4 years from 1873. The term having expired in July 1877, six of them resigned the service, but 108 were reengaged. The regulations under this head have since been revised.

In January 1878 a Telegraph Engineering School was esta- 料 blished at the Shiodome depôt, and native officers of the Engineering Staff, as well as operators and Students, were thoroughly instructed in their duties in this branch. The Engineering Staff officers, intended ultimately to act as Inspectors &c., were taught the surveying, construction, and outdoor work generally, as well as the requirements of indoor supervision in the various offices, whilst the operators received training in the indoor branch merely.

EXPENDITURE.

In accordance with Revised Regulations issued in September 1876, the new system of

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額金賀經

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keeping accounts was brought into operation in the fiscal year now under notice, the expenditure being classed under three heads, viz:-

I. Control—(general expenses of the Kobusho Head Office). *

II. Maintenance—(ordinary working expenses at stations, repair of lines, dec.).

III. Construction -- (building new lines, new offices dec.).

The charges under class II to be defrayed by the receipts for message traffic, or should there be a deficiency, by a Capital fund specially reserved.

The estimated expenditure was as under :-

Class II Maintenance Yens 298,540.00.

Class III Construction .. 194,983.63.

The amount of receipts for message traffic was only estimated at Yens 200,500, and thus there was a prospective deficiency of Yens 98,040 as compared with the expenditure under class II. To cover this the Reserve fund was fixed at Yens, 120,000.

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^{* [} The expenditure under class I is not shown in the present report, but under it were included such items, as :-Salaries, Travelling expenses and House allowances of Native and Foreign staff engaged at the Head office; Clothing and Boarding allowances to Native operators; (paid by the chief accountants department). These sums were included in the general account of the Kobusho.

The actual expenditure for the year was as follows:-

Class Il Maintenance Yens 444.224.86.

Class III Construction 193,770.40

and the

* Receipts Yens 395,410.36.

Thus the actual deficiency was 48,814.51 and this was met by the Reserve-fund.

A farther charge on the Reserved fund of 7,558.67 was made in respect of the special expenses attendant upon the official opening ceremonies and the probable travelling expenses of the delegate to the International Telegraph Congress in London, whose journey was, however, delayed, the meeting having been postpon-

The total expenditure thus amounted to be 645,553.94an increase upon the previous year's total of 11,765.13.

Up to the end of the year un-

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TRAFFIC AND RE-CEIPTS.

During the year, there were transmitted :--

998,559 Japanese messages, (63,057 "on service").

28,431 Foreign messages, (7,682 " on service ").

18,452 International messages (609 "on service").

The receipts amounted to Yens 344,017.44.2. [*]

Compared with the previous year there was an increase in the number of messages of 364,503 and in the receipts of Yens 112,661.90.

From the earliest date of opening up to the 30th June 1878 the aggregate receipts had been Yens 990,343.50. and the total number of messages transmitted 3,187.727.

der review the total Expendi-ture from the earliest date of commencing the work had been Yens 3,551,209-90. 拾千三ル月業スノ圓千貳用 銭二百マ三以レ設餘六百金 除百五テ十還へ額ニ百九ノ サ九拾通日本則ヲ本五拾總 リ圓五計ニ年子加年拾萬計 九萬金至六創算度六五金

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In the Receipts are included 334, 944.24 for messages, the remainder being derived from sundry other sources.

^{* [}The above figures include 48,448 Japanese and 594 Foreign messages passing over the Colonization Department's lines in Yeso, for which that Department held a sum of 9,072.19.9.]

STAFF.

The total number of Officers, Engineers and Employe's in the Telegraph service, including the students and the Foreign Staff, at the date of this report, is 1,410, which on comparison with the number for last fiscal year, shews an inerease of 263, owing to the n 月 / 貳 四 六 / considerable additions to our system in the shape of new lines and stations. The rank and classes of the various officers are shewn in the accompanying table.

MECHANICIANS BRANCH.

During the year much material and apparatus was manufactured in the Mechanic's Shop at the Shiodome depôt, and the work proved to have been executed efficiently. The principal instruments were:-

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造製械機

20	Brittans Galvanometers		傳電聽避圓電両電出	4
24	Magnets	nn		
50	Double terminals	34	目話鈴響雷面鈴頭羅利	1
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Table showing the actual number of Officers and Employes on the 30 June 1878.

ADMINISTRATION.

Japanese Officers,	(Soni	in ra	nk)		 4
Do	(Hanı	nin ra	ank)	****	 57
— Do —	(Toga	ai ra	nk)	****	 58
European Officers		****			 4
Other Employes	****	****		****	 23
					146

COMMERCIAL	STAFF.		ENGINEERING STAFF.
Japanese Officers (————————————————————————————————————	Togai)	259 8 192	Japanese Officers (Hannin) 87 — Do — (Togai) 25 European Officers 14 Students 18 Linemen and Workmen266

Total 1410.

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五二	外		等	九五二			外		等
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Tariff for European and Japanese messages issued 22nd September 1877.

The system of country words or characters in messages &c., to continue in force as hitherto.

International messages of 20 words or less \$ 2.00 for transmission from any station between Tokei and Niigata, as per rates fixed for the line Tokei to Otaru, and \$ 2.00 more for all stations between Tokei and Nagasaki, thus making a total of \$ 4.00.

								To	kei	Tokei
							Ur	nwa	0,07	Urawa
						Kui	magai	0.07	0.09	Kumagai
					Maye	bashi	0.07	0.09	0.11	Mayebashi *
				Tak	asaki	0.06	0.07	0.09	0,11	Takasaki
			Uye	sda	0.07	0,08	0.09	0.11	0.13	Uyeda
		Imai	nachi	0.07	0.09		1000	0.13	0.15	Imamachi
	Kashiw	azaki	0.07	0.09	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.15	0.17	Kashiwazaki
Idzmi	mozaki	0.07	0.09	0.11		0.14	0.15	0.17	0.19	Idzumozaki
Niigata	0,07	0,09	0.11	0.13	0.15	0.16	0.17	0.19	0.21	Niigata

* Branch line.

(dicated by red ink are for European messages)

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APPENDIX

Tariff for European and Japanese messages, issued 2nd October 1877.

For Foreign and Native messages between Okayama and any station in Shikoku Island the rates to be as shown by the table attached.

For both kinds of messages from any station north of Oka-yama to Marugame, the rates to be the same as to Hiroshima; For those from the same station to Matsuyama and Takamatsu, the same rate as to Yamaguchi; and for messages from the same stations to Uwajima, Kochi and Tokushima, the same rate as to Shimonoseki.

For Foreign and Native messages from any station south of Okayama, and Marugame, to be the same rate as to Kobe.

For those from the same stations to Matsuyama and Takamatsu, the same as to Osaka and for messages between the same stations and Uwajima, Kochi or Fukushima the same rate as to Sakai.

						Okayama	Okayama
				М	arugame	0.09	Marugame
			Т	Takamatsu	0.07	0.11	Takamatsu
		M	ntsuyama	0.09	0.07	0.11	Matsuyama
	Т	okushima	0,11	0.07	0.09	0.13	Tokushima
	Uwajima	0.13	0.07	U.11	0.09	0.13	Uwajima
Koehi	0.09	0,13	0.07	0.11	0.09	0.13	Kochi

(The above rates are in Yens and those in-)

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Tariff for European and Japanese messages issued 17th October 1877.

For Japanese messages from any station north or south of Kokura to Nakatsu and Oita 2 sen and 4 sen respectively to be added to the rates for Kokura.

For European messages between Nakatsu and any station north of Kokura, the same rate as to Fukuoka, and those to Oita the same as to Saga; from any station south of Kokura to Nakatsu the same rate as to Shimonoseki, and for messages to Oita the same rate as to Yamaguchi.

	Kokura	Kokura
Nakatsu	0,07	Nakatsu
0.07	0.09	Oita
	Nakatsu	Nakatsu

(The above rates are in Yens and those) shown in red ink are for European messages)

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APPENDIX D.

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Tariff for European and Japanese messages issued 13th December 1877.

For European and Japanese messages between Oita and Nobeoka or Miyazaki, and from any station south of Kokura to Nakatsu, Oita, Nobeoka or Miyazaki, the rates to be the same as shown by the table attached.

For Japanese messages from any station north of Oita to Nobeoka or Miyazaki, two or four Sen respectively to be added to the Oita rate.

For Kagoshima messages the rule laid down in Appendix E of the first Tariff issued is to be applied.

For European messages from any station south of Kokura addressed to Nobeoka the same rate as to Kurume and for Miyazaki the same as the rate to Kumamoto. (Exception. Nakatsu will charge 50 Sen to Nobeoka, and 1 Yen to Miyazaki or Kagoshima.

	0	ita	Oita
No	beoka	0.07	Nobeoka
Miyazaki	0,07	0.09	Miyazaki
Kagoshima 0.07	0.09	0.11	Kagoshima

	Fuknoka	Saga	Kurume	Kumamoto	Yatsushiro	Nagasaki
Nakatsu	0.68	0,10	0,12	0.15	0,15	0.12
Oita	0,10	0,12	0.14	0.15	0.13	0 14
Nobeoka	0.12	0.14	0.15	0.13	0.11	0,16
Miyazaki	0,14	0.15	0.13	0.11	0.09	0.17

(The above rates are in Yens and those) shown in red ink are for European messages)

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拾三	拾五	拾	拾	久町
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" " 18, 11 " Hakodate for Hokodate.

" " 23, 15 " " Ichinoseki for Ishinomaki.

" Appendex A. " Counting for country.

